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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS A/F Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 30, 2008. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins at page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.